

## OPINION 1946

***Osphronemus deissneri* Bleeker, 1859 (currently *Parosphronemus deissneri*; Osteichthyes, Perciformes): holotype replaced by a neotype**

**Keywords.** Nomenclature: taxonomy; Osteichthyes; Perciformes; BELONTIIDAE; *Parosphronemus*; *Parosphronemus deissneri*; licorice gouramies.

**Ruling**

- (1) Under the plenary power all previous fixations of type specimens for the nominal species *Osphronemus deissneri* Bleeker, 1859 are hereby set aside and specimen no. ZRC 31377 in the Zoological Reference Collection, National University of Singapore, is designated as the neotype.
- (2) The name *Parosphronemus* Bleeker, 1877 (gender: masculine), type species by monotypy *Osphronemus deissneri* Bleeker, 1859, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.
- (3) The name *deissneri*, as published in the binomen *Osphronemus* [sic] *deissneri* Bleeker, 1859 and as defined by the neotype designated in (1) above (specific name of the type species of *Parosphronemus* Bleeker, 1877), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

**History of Case 3071**

An application to set aside the holotype of *Osphronemus deissneri* Bleeker, 1859 and to designate a neotype was received from Dr P.K.L. Ng (*National University of Singapore, Republic of Singapore*) and Dr Maurice Kottelat (*Cornol, Switzerland*) on 16 October 1997. After correspondence the case was published in BZN 55: 155–158 (September 1998). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

**Decision of the Commission**

On 1 September 1999 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN 55: 157, with the addition of the placement of *Parosphronemus* Bleeker, 1877 on the Official List. At the close of the voting period on 1 December 1999 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 19: Bock, Bouchet, Brothers, Cocks, Cogger, Dupuis, Eschmeyer, Heppell, Kraus, Macpherson, Mahnert, Mawatari, Minelli, Nielsen, Papp, Patterson, Savage, Schuster, Song

Negative votes — 2: Kerzhner and Štys.

No vote was received from Martins de Souza.

Lehtinen and Ride were on leave of absence.

**Original references**

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

*deissneri*, *Osphronemus*, Bleeker, 1859, *Natuurkundig Tijdschrift voor Nederlandsch Indië*, 18: 376.

*Parosphronemus* Bleeker, 1877, *Atlas ichthyologique des Indes orientales néerlandaises*, vol. 9 (Percoides 3), pl. 395, caption of fig. 1.